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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE

DURING Mr. FREDERICK DODWELL'S Absence, Mr. THOMAS MASTERS DIERMER will TAKE CHARGE of our Business here, and SIGN our Firm per Procuration.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, May 8, 1885. 702

NOTICE

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED my self in CANTON and MACAO, as TEA INSPECTOR and GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT under the Style and Title of E. W. MITCHELL & Co.

EDWARD W. MITCHELL,

Canton, 10th April, 1885. 645

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL
FOR A SHORT SEASON ONLY.

COMMENCING

About the 28th MAY.

THE MASOTTE OPERA COMPANY,
the most complete
ORGANIZATION TRAVELLING.

Plan and Seats at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH.

Hongkong, May 12, 1885. 785

Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

First Interim BONUS of TWENTY PER CENT upon Contributions for the Year 1884 has This Day been declared.

WARRANTS may be had on application at the OFFICE of the Society on and after the 18th Instant.

By Order of the Board,

N. J. EDE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 4, 1885. 737

CLAIMS ON THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION PURCHASED.

H. A. HERBERT,
Manager.

Hongkong, March 25, 1885. 522

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up CAPITAL, \$7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND, \$4,400,000.
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDENDS, \$4,000,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS, \$7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—Hon. F. D. SASSOON.

Deputy Chairman—A. M. MOYER, Esq.

G. D. BOTTOMLEY, M. GROVE, Esq.

H. HOPFES, Esq.

H. L. DALYMPLE, H. W. KESWELL, Esq.

A. P. MCNEIL, Esq.

W. H. FORBES, Esq. E. E. SASSOON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, Thomas JACKSON, Esq., Manager.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

6 " 4 per cent. "

12 " 5 per cent. "

Local Bills DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 28, 1885. 347

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG

SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. annual interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3% per cent. per annum will be allowed to deposits on daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank is marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank. Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

T. JACKSON, Owner Manager.

Hongkong, May 7, 1885. 784

NOTICE.

D. K. GRIFFITH & CO.

MANUFACTURERS OF THE LONDON

AERATED WATERS,

Have Removed from the BRACONSETT

ARCANE to larger Premises

1, DUDDELL STREET,

Where they continue to Supply:

SODA WATER, LEMONADE,

TONIC, CHOCOLATE,

SEITZER, RASPBERRY,

SARAPARILLA, &c., &c., &c.

At the same Moderate Charges.

D. K. GRIFFITH,

Proprietor.

Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1559

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., HOSIERS AND GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS, Have Received their New Stock of

Summer Goods:

UNDERSHIRTS and PANTS in LINEN-THREAD, SILK, SILK NET, BALBRIGGAN, GAUZE MERINO, INDIA GAUZE, Cheap Imitation GAUZE, and other Cool MATERIALS.

HALL-HOUSE in LINEN-THREAD, SILK, COTTON, SUMMER-MERINO and CASHMERE.

SHIRTS ready-made, or to measure, in LONG CLOTH, FRENCH PRINT and ZEPHYR CLOTH.

HANDKERCHIEFS in FRENCH and IRISH CLOTHES, special! New Coloured CLOTHES, COLLARS, THE 'TANDEM,' and other Fashionable Shapes.

ELASTIC and SILK-BELTS, SADDLERS and 'GUYOT' BRACES.

BATHING DRAWERS and DRESSES.

WOMEN'S BATHING COSTUMES.

NEW TENNIS JERSEYS.

TENNIS HATS and SCARVES.

NEW WOVEN CHOLERA BELTS for LADIES.

" GENTLEMEN.

SCARVES and TIES in all the Newest Styles and SUMMER TEXTURES:—LINEN WASHING SCARVES, PRINTED WASHING TIES, SILK WASHING WINDSORES, and a Variety of New Shapes in made up CLOTHES.

STRAW HATS, FELT HATS, PITH HATS.

SUMMER GLOVES in Coloured SILK and WHITE THREAD.

ENGLISH and FRENCH SUMMER BOOTS and SHOES.

SPECIALITIES:—'GLACE MOLLINE KID.' WHITE CANVAS at \$2.50 per pair.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, April 15, 1885. 630

TO LET.

Prospectus.

PROSPECTUS

OF THE

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT

1885, DOLLAR LOAN.

AUTHORIZED by the IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT of CHINA, and in conformity with Decrees issued by the TSUNG-LI YAMEN, or GENERAL FOREIGN OFFICE, Canton, and officially communicated to the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA, Hongkong, through the BRITISH LEGATION at Peking, bearing date the 26th day of December, 1884, and 12th day of January, 1885.

For BULLIONS 1,394,700.14 Hongkong Currency, Equivalent of TAELIS 1,000,000

at 7.1, in 2700 BONS of \$100 each, excepting one for \$200.14 Hongkong Currency, bearing interest at 8 per cent. per annum.

The CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT guarantees the repayment of this Loan within three years from the nineteenth day of January, 1885, and has pledged as security therefor, and for the payment of the interest, the IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS REVENUES of the Kwangtung and Canton Province, and further, have made the Bonds issued for the payment of this Loan receivable, if not taken up and paid off due date thereof, in payment of Customs' duties, export and import, throughout the Kwangtung and Canton Provinces, as appears in the following extract from the Agreement between the Chinese Government and the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA:

'In the event of the non-payment at due date by the CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT of any instalment of principal or interest, or of any part thereof, the Bonds drawn and payable on that date and not paid shall thereupon become and be payable and receivable in payment of Customs' duties either export or import, or both, at any port or place in the Kwangtung Province, and all Officers of the IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS shall be directed, and are hereby authorized to receive them for the full value.'

Further the IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS OFFICES at all the other TREATY PORTS in China are charged to provide funds to meet all liabilities under and in connection with the Loan.

The PRINCIPAL and INTEREST are payable in Hongkong. The Bonds are redeemable at par within three years (1888) by three yearly instalments; the first of which will be payable on the 18th January, 1886. The Bonds will bear interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, payable yearly according to the English Calendar, as per schedule hereto annexed, at the Office of the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA and CHINA at their current buying rate of exchange for demand bills on Hongkong.

The DRAWINGS will take place at the Office of the said CHARTERED BANK in Hongkong three months previous to the date of payment of each instalment, as given in the Schedule, and the Bonds so drawn will be payable at par at the Office of the said CHARTERED BANK in Hongkong, after which date interest on the Bonds so drawn will cease.

Further the CHARTERED BANK are liable to pay interest on the Bonds at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, payable yearly according to the English Calendar, as per schedule hereto annexed, at the Office of the CHARTERED BANK in Hongkong, after which date interest on the Bonds so drawn will cease.

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THE DRAWINGS will take place at the Office of the said CHARTERED BANK in Hongkong three months previous to the date of payment of each instalment, as given in the Schedule,

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Have Moved into their New Premises

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
AND ARE SELLINGSTORES and other RETAIL ARTICLES
at the lowest possible prices
FOR CASH,
and giving the benefits of the Co-operative Store system to the Public without the necessity of Membership. Detailed Prices will be furnished on application.

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CROSE & BLACKWELL'S
OILMAN'S STORES:
JOHN MOON & SONS, LIMITED,

OILMAN'S STORES,

J. T. MORTON'S
OILMAN'S STORES,

MACQUARIE & BROTHERS'

Lowestoft

OILMAN'S STORES.

AMERICAN

OILMAN'S STORES.

WINES, &c.

CHATEAU MAGUAUX.

CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.

IBES, GRAVES,

BREAKFAST CLARET,

SAUCONE MANZANILLA & AMON-

TILLADO.

SAUCONE'S OLD INVALID PORT

(1848).

HUNTS PORT.

1 and 3 STAR HENNESSY'S BRANDY.

GOCHWEHR'S BRANDY.

FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.

KINAHAN'S LI WHISKY.

ROYAL GLENDER WHISKY.

Boord's OLD TOM.

E. & J. BURKE'S IRISH WHISKY.

ROSE'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL.

NOILLY PRAT & CO'S VERMOUTH.

JANSON'S IRISH WHISKY.

MARSALA.

EASTERN AMERICAN CIDER.

CHARTREUSE.

MARASCHINO.

CURACAO.

&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J. BURKE, pints and quarts.

DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in hogsheads.

TO LET, from 1st MAY.

SHOPS and GODOWNS, and STORE-

AGE, at No. 55 QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, (opposite the Temperance Hall). Also, BEDROOMS, SERVANTS and KITCHEN ACCOMMODATION.

Apply to

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Hongkong, April 4, 1885.

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FOR SALE.

A HOUSE at the PEAK, with Large TENNIS GROUND attached. A good View of the Harbour and out to Sea.

Apply to

'PEAK,'

c/o This Office.

Hongkong, April 11, 1885.

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WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

INSURANCES.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to Insure against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1882.

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Godowns at 5 per cent. net premium per annum.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 1, 1881.

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LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored thereon, or on Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbours at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong, & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1882.

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THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George the First, A.D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:

Marine Department.

Policies issued at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

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Intimations.

Chinese Imperial Government Eight Per Cent. Loan of 1881.

FOURTH DRAWING.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that, in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following numbers of Bonds to be paid off at Par, at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hongkong, on the 13th day of May, 1885, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day drawn at the Office of the said Corporation in Hongkong, in the presence of Mr. HERBERT MAURICE BEVIS, Acting Chief Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

The interest due 13th day of May current, of the above LOAN, together with the BONDS DRAWN for Redemption, will be Paid at the Office of this CORPORATION on and after that date.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Agents Issuing the Loan, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Intimations.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT LOAN OF 1881.

THE INTEREST due 13th day of May current, of the above LOAN, together with the BONDS DRAWN for Redemption, will be Paid at the Office of this CORPORATION on and after that date.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Agents Issuing the Loan, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 12, 1885. 763

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, ANTWERP AND HAMBURG, VIA SWEDEN CANAL.

The Steamship Polynesian, Captain K. BÖHM, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 15th Inst., at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 14, 1885. 761

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship Esmeralda.

Captain TAYLOR, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 16th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, May 14, 1885. 762

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

Danube, British steamer, Captain J. NEWTON—Yuen Fat Hong.

GOODALE, American barque, Capt. Wm. R. HAGAN—Adamsen, Bell & Co.

JAMES G. PENDLETON, American barque, B. F. Colcord—Captain.

MADURE, British barque, Captain THOS. STANTON—Captain.

NAMIVAN, British steamer, Capt. Garces, A. R. MARTY.

May 14—

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:

For SINGAPORE—

For Polyphymia, at 1.30 p.m., on Friday, the 16th Inst.

For AMOY & TAMSUI—

For Bulwong, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 15th Inst.

For MANILA—

For Esmeralda, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday, the 16th Inst.

For STRAITS AND CALCUTTA—

Per Tsinlong, at 2 p.m., on Saturday, the 16th Inst.

Per Araratian, at 2 p.m., on Saturday, the 16th Inst.

For SHANGHAI—

Per China, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 16th Inst.

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI—

Per Fusion, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 16th Inst.

For AMOY AND MANILA—

Per Don Juan, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 16th Inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI—

Per Foden, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 16th Inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA—

Per Sumatra, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 23rd Inst.

For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE &ADELAIDE—

Per Catterham, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 26th Inst.

May 14—

Quotations.

Hongkong, May 14.

OPIUM—New Patna, cash, 607½

Old, " " cash, 630

New Burmese, " " 662½

Old, " " cash, 557½

New Malwa, cash, 540

Allowance, Taals, " " 32½

Old Malwa, cash, 560½

Allowance, Taals, " " 40½

Persian, Oily, cash, 540½

Allowance, Taals, " " 16½

Persian, Paper tied, " " 640

Allowance, Taals, " " 16½

Bank, Wine, " " 3½

Demand, " " 3½

30 days' sight, " " 3½

4 months' sight, " " 3½

Credit, " " 3½

Documentary 4 months' sight, " " 3½

India, Wine, " " 22½

Demand, " " 22½

Shanghai, demand, " " 7½

30 days' sight, private, " " 7½

Gold Leaf 9½ fine, " " 22½

Sovereigns, " " 5½

Bank, Wine, " " 3½

Demand, " " 3½

30 days' sight, " " 3½

THE CHINA MAIL.

No. 6800.—MAY 14, 1885.

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND COCHIN
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
PEKING will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, with the option
of calling at Honolulu, on SATURDAY,
the 16th May, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers
and Freight for Japan, the United States,
and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States, via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America, by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

The Company's Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who
have paid full fare, re-embarking at San
Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa)
within six months, will be allowed a discount
of 20% from Return Fare; Pro-Paid Re-
turn Passage Orders, available for one year,
will be issued at a Discount of 25% from
Return Fare. These allowances do not apply
to those from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4
p.m., the day previous to sailing. Parcel
Packages will be received at the office until
6 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages
shall be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

Crews and Officers to accompany Ganges
destined to ports beyond San Francisco
should be sent to the Company's Office in
Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector
of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.
Hongkong, May 2, 1885.

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Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables
the Rates are given in cents, and are, for
Letters per half ounce, for Books and
Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight
are charged as double, three, &c., as the
case may be, but such papers are packed
in Boxes, and must not be folded together
as one, nor have anything written thereon
except short full Supplements. Printed
matter may, however, be enclosed, if the
whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current
may be paid either to the Continent
or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers
as, though written by Hand, do not bear
the character of an actual or personal corre-
spondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied
music, &c. The charge on them is the same
as for books, but, whatever the weight of
a packet containing any partially written
paper, it will not be charged less than 5
cents.

The sender of any Registered Article
may accompany it with a Return Receipt
on paying an extra fee of 6 cents.

The charge for Books and Commercial
Papers to Foreign Post Offices is
4 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs.,
Postmen to British Offices, 6 lbs. if without
intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.

The Post Office is not legally responsible
for the safe delivery of Registered corres-
pondence, but it is prepared to make good the
contents of such correspondence lost while
passing through the Post, to the extent of
\$10, in certain cases, provided—

1. That the sender duly observed all the
conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed
in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the
Postmaster General of Hongkong immedi-
ately the loss was discovered, the envelope
being invariably forwarded with such applica-
tion unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied
that the loss occurred whilst the corre-
spondence was in the custody of the British
Post Office, or its agents, that it was
not caused by any fault on the part of the
envelope, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck,
nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any
person not in the employment of the
Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere
damage to fragile articles such as portraits,
watches, handsomely bound books, &c.,
which reach their destination, although in
a broken or deteriorated condition.

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Missed or Delayed Correspondence.

When correspondence has been missed
or delayed (both of which are liable to
happen occasionally) all that the addressee
need do is to note on the cover, *Sent to*
or *Received at* p.m., or as the case
may be, and forward it, without any
other writing whatever, to the Postmaster
General. This should be acted on the first
time of complaint occurs; it is a
mistake to let such matters pass for fear of
giving trouble, a course which generally
gives more trouble in the end.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—
Letters, 10 cents per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.
Post Cards, 3 cents each.
Registration, 10 cents.
Newspapers, 10 cents each.
Books, Patterns, and
Cigar Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected corre-
spondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and
Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Regis-
tration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and
Patterns, 2; Via Ceylon, Letters, 25; Regis-
tration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and
Patterns, 2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, Ascension,
Bolivia, Letters, 25; Registration, 10;
Newspapers, 5; Books and Patterns, 5.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

General Local Rates for Hongkong,
Macao, China, Japan, Siam (direct),
Cochin-China, Tonkin, and the Philip-
pines:—

Letters per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., 5 cents (c).
Post Cards, each, 1 cent.
Books, Parcels and Patterns, per 2 oz.,
2 cents.

Newspapers and Prices Current, each, 2
cents.

Registration, 10 cents.

(c) Via Singapore, 10 cents.

(c) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao
2 cents.

Local Delivery.

1. All correspondence posted before 5
p.m. on any work day for addresses in
Victoria will be delivered the same day,
and generally within two hours, unless the
delivery should be retarded by the Contract
Mails.

2. Invitations, &c., can generally be
delivered within Victoria at the private
houses of the addressees rather than at
places of business, if a wish to that effect
be expressed by the sender, otherwise all
correspondence is invariably delivered at
the nearest place of business.

3. Boxholders who desire to send Circu-
lars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards,
&c., all of the same weight to addresses in
Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of
China, may deliver them to the Post
Office unattended, the postage being then
charged to the sender's account. Each
batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns
to the same places in the same way. En-
velopes containing Patterns may be wholly
closed, if the nature of the contents is to be
exhibited or stated to the Postmaster
General, as he may consider necessary, and
approved by him. Printed Circulars
may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

Nothing in above scale prevents private
agreements.

Licensed Bearers (each):

One Hour, ... 10 cents.

Half Day, ... 35 cents.

Day, ... 50 cents.

Jinricksha.

Quarter Hour, 50cts. One Hour, 15cts.

Half Hour, 10cts. Two Hours, 25cts.

For every hour or part of an hour, 10 cents,
over two hours, ... 10 cents.

To Fuk-fu-Lam or Quarry Bay, 20cts.

Return, ... 35cts.

Retain, ... 50cts.

Return, ... 60cts.

If an extra Coolie is employed, the fare
will be double.

Nothing in this scale prevents private
agreements.

BOAT AND COOKE HIRE.

BOATS.

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900
picks, per Day, ... \$3.00.

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900
picks, per Load, ... 2.00.

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600
picks, per Day, ... 2.50.

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600
picks, per Load, ... 1.75.

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of
300 picks, per Day, ... 1.50.

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of
300 picks, per Load, ... 1.00.

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of
300 picks, Half Day, ... 50.

Boats.

or Pullaway Boat, per Day, ... \$1.00.

One Hour, ... 20.

Half-an-Hour, ... 10.

After 6 p.m., ... 10 cents extra.

Nothing in this Scale prevents private
agreements.

MEET COOLIES.

Scale of Hire for Street Coolies.

One Day, ... 33 cents.

Half Day, ... 30.

Three Hours, ... 12.

One Hour, ... 5.

Half Hour, ... 3.

Nothing in the above Scale to affect
private agreements.

No Letter or Packet, whether to be
registered or unregistered, can be received

THE CHINA MAIL.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*, near the Kowloon shore *k*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *e*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.	From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.	6. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.	7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.	8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.	

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